Town of Shirley BOARD OF SELECTMEN



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES October 26, 2015 6:30 pm TOWN OFFICES

The Board of Selectmen convened its meeting on Monday, October 26, 2015 at the Town Offices, Meeting Rooms A & B, Vice Chairman David N. Swain presiding, Selectmen Kendra J. Dumont, and Town Administrator Patrice Garvin in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Swain called to Order the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 6:30 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

The Town Administrator gave her weekly report:

Garvin stated that she and Bryan Dumont recently attended a Veteran's event with Governor Baker on Friday October 23rd. The event was a World War II commemoration hosted by Representatives Benson and Harrington. The event was well attended, Joe Landry, a Shirley resident, spoke at the event.

Garvin stated that included in the packet was a request for a stop sign from Bemis. Garvin also stated that she forwarded the request to the DPW Department. Garvin asks the Board of Selectmen how they would like to proceed, and if they would like Bemis to come speak to their request along with the DPW foreman.

Selectman Swain stated that he has read the note from Bemis, stating that he understands they would like to put a stop sign at the intersection of Clark Rd. and Harvard Rd. Swain also states that typically they would refer to the DPW for their input, and that the Board is waiting to hear back from the DPW for what they would recommend. Swain also states that he does not see the need for Bemis to speak to their request, as they have given a thorough reasoning. Swain states that Bemis is concerned about potential accidents that could occur with people crossing the street in the area, as well as cars not coming to a complete stop on Harvard Rd.

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Townsend 225 intersection. Garvin states that she will go over Bemis's request for a stop sign at the Public Safety meeting as well.

Garvin states that she has applied to the Community Compact through the State per the Board's instruction; she has attached the email that she received back, as the email states that they should be hearing from the division of local services to schedule a time to meet and discuss. Garvin states that she has not heard from the division of local services yet, but would like to know if a Selectman would like to sit in on the meeting once it is scheduled.

TA Garvin, Selectman Swain, and Selectman Dumont will decide if a Selectman will sit in on the meeting once it has been scheduled.

Garvin states that the Council on Aging is hosting a veteran's breakfast on Monday November 9th at 8:30 a.m. The police will be helping out with this event and wanted to get the word out.

TA Garvin concluded her report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Energy Committee Update

Selectman Swain states that in a previous meeting they talked about delaying plantings of shrubbery and trees on Groton Rd. at the new solar site. Swain also states that National Grid now wants to plant the shrubbery and trees as soon as possible. National Grid's concern is that the screens be up before the new owners of the house move in. Swain also states that National Grid has also agreed that if any of the new plantings do not last through the winter that they will replace them.

2. Budget Coordinating Committee Update

TREASURY WARRANTS

Selectman Swain moved to accept the following Treasury Warrants as presented. Selectman Dumont Seconded. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Special Town Meeting—Signage and Position

Selectman Swain states that the Special Town Meeting will take place on Saturday November 14th.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 1, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 2, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 3, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 4, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 9, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 12, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 14, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 16, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 17, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation, Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 18, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 19, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 20, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 21, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 22, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding Article 24, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

Selectman Dumont Recommends to approve the warrant for the Special Town Meeting including the Council's edits, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

4. Ratification of Updated Fire Contract

Selectman Swain states that the Fire Contract will be updated so that firefighters will accrue over time rate at the Fire Department rate. Selectman Swain states that this update will also pay for firefighters to attend EMT training at the Fire Department rate.

Selectman Swain also states that since the new ambulance service has gone into effect, the Town of Shirley has not had to call mutual aid once for a call that was not being responded to, which is a first in many years.

Selectman Dumont Recommends favorable action regarding the three amendments being made to Overtime Section 7 of the Fire Contract, Selectman Swain seconds the Recommendation Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

5. FY15-17 Presentation

TA Garvin presented a PowerPoint regarding FY15-17.

Garvin states that her concern is if they exhaust all of the Free Cash, they will end up in the same position with the same deficit in the coming year.

Selectman Dumont States that by using all of the Free Cash they are not taking into account emergencies where the cash may be needed in the future.

Garvin states that if an override were to go through, they would be looking at a three-year reprieve where there wouldn't be a reduction in services.

Garvin responds to the public comment made by Frank Esieloinis by stating that some departments traditionally spend less than others. Garvin also states it depends on the situation.

Selectman Swain states that the amount of turn backs by department is not consistent throughout all departments. Swain also states that every department has been level funded for the last ten years, and they are projecting an increase across all department budgets.

Garvin states that the Finance Committee will receive the budget information on the following evening.

6. Appointment of Interim Land Use Clerk

Selectman Dumont Motion to appoint Pat Wojas as the interim Land Use Clerk, set to expire when a full time Land Use Clerk is employed. Selectman Swain seconds the motion. Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain vote Aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank Eseloinis asks TA Garvin regarding the expense money that was turned back in was the amount roughly the same among all departments or was it one or two departments that made an effort to save money?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Next meeting: Monday 11/9/2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Nypro Manufacturing Day Open House on October 27, 2015 from 4-8 p.m.
- 3. Trick-or-Treating in the Town of Shirley will occur from 6-8 p.m.

4. Veteran's Day Ceremony in Whitely Park on November 11th promptly starting at 11 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Motion and Seconded to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., Kendra J. Dumont vote Aye, and David N. Swain, vote Aye.

Respectfully submitted, Nathan Boudreau, Executive Assistant

Date Accepted Tun. 11 2016

Robert E. Prescotta Jr., Chair

David N. Swain, Vice Chair

Kendra J. Dumont, Clerk

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